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# PATENT APPLICATION

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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MASAHIKO KUBOTA ET AL.	)	
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Application No.: Unassigned	)	
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Filed: April 18, 2006	)	
(Concurrently Herewith)	:	
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For: LIQUID DISCHARGE HEAD	:	
MANUFACTURING METHOD, AND	)	
LIQUID DISCHARGE HEAD OBTAINED	:	
USING THIS METHOD	)	April 18, 2006
Commissioner for Patents		
P.O. Box 1450		
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### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed foreign documents are enclosed.

An English-language abstract is enclosed for the non-English-language document.

The listed documents were cited in the International Search Report and/or the ISA Written Opinion issued in a corresponding PCT application (PCT/JP2005/012266), copies of which are also enclosed.

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# **FORMAL MATTERS**

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### **CONCLUSION**

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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